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SUBJECT: FREQUENCIES FORMERLY USED BY RCA AT TANGIER

REF: (A) RABAT 1756; (B) STATE A-2060, 24 MAR 75

1. EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN CONCLUDING MATTER RAISED IN REF B
WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

2. IF, IN EMBASSY JUDGMENT, THERE REMAINS A POSSIBILITY
THAT GOM WILL AGREE TO USE BY USG (VOA RELAY STATION
TANGIER) OF FOUR FREQUENCIES LISTED IN PARA SEVEN OF REF B
(7520, 10785, 13715, AND 15655 KHZ), PLEASE PROCEED AS
INDICATED PARA 3 BELOW WITH RESPECT TO ALL BUT THESE FOUR
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FREQUENCIES. IF, HOWEVER, CHANCES OF SUCH AGREEMENT BY

GOM APPEAR NIL, EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TAKE ACTION ON ALL ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE FREQUENCIES.

3. PARA EIGHT OF REF B OUTLINED ALTERNATIVE STEPS AVAILABLE TO GOM TO RESOLVE MATTER. PLEASE ENDEAVOR OBTAIN GOM ACTION UNDER ONE OR MORE OF THESE ALTERNATIVES.

4. FYI, DEPARTMENT FACED WITH CATCH-22 TYPE OF SITUATION. REGISTRATION OF FREQUENCIES WAS EFFECTED BY DEPARTMENT, ACTING AS US TELECOMMUNICATION ADMINISTRATION, IN LINE WITH INTERNATIONAL STATUS OF TANGIER THEN OBTAINING; CONSEQUENT-

LY, ITU INTERNATIONAL FREQUENCY LIST (IFL) STILL LINKS ENTRIES WITH USG. AS PART OF ITS PREPARATIONS FOR 1979 WORLD ADMINISTRATIVE RADIO CONFERENCE, USG IS ATTEMPTING TO ELIMINATE OBSOLETE ENTRIES IN IFL. YET, WITH REVERSION OF INTERNATIONAL ZONE OF TANGIER TO MOROCCAN SOVEREIGNTY IN 1956, USG IS UNABLE UNILATERALLY TO DELETE OR AMEND ENTRIES IN QUESTION. END FYI.

5. FYI. FAILING PROMPT ACTION BY GOM (A) TO DELETE ENTRIES IN QUESTION, (B) TO AMEND THEM SO AS TO REMOVE ALL REFERENCE TO USG, OR (C) TO AGREE TO HAVE USG REQUEST ITU TO DELETE ENTRIES, CITING PRIOR MOROCCAN CONSENT ("COORD MRC") TO THIS COURSE OF ACTION, DEPARTMENT INTENDS REQUEST ASSISTANCE OF ITU INTERNATIONAL FREQUENCY REGISTRATION BOARD (IFRB) IN RESOLVING MATTER. (IFRB STAFF MEMBER RECENTLY SUGGESTED THIS STEP AS APPROPRIATE IN CIRCUMSTANCES, NOTING ONE MEMBER OF FIVE-MAN BOARD, A. M. BERRADA, IS MOROCCAN.) END FYI.

6. PLEASE ADVISE. KISSINGER

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